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Recognition Ceremony for Fire Support Team from Brockton

BROCKTON, Mass. -- The Massachusetts National Guard will be holding a formal homecoming and recognition ceremony for approximately 20 members of Brockton's Fire Support Element of Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 101st Field Artillery at the Whitman VFW, Essex Street, Whitman, Mass., on Sunday, September 17, at 1 p.m.

Members of this unit received mobilization orders and were deployed to Iraq for 12 months as part of the Fire Support Element for the Utah National Guard's 2nd Battalion, 222nd Field Artillery, supporting the Pennsylvania National Guard's 2nd Brigade Combat Team and assigned to the Vermont National Guard's 1st Battalion, 172nd Armor.

"We're extremely grateful to these soldiers and their families for the many sacrifices they've made in support of their community and their country," said Brig. Gen. Oliver J. Mason Jr., The Adjutant General of the Massachusetts National Guard.

MEDIA ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND MUST REGISTER AT THE ABOVE NUMBER

WHAT: Formal Homecoming for HHB, 101st Field Artillery from Brockton
WHEN: Sunday, September, 17, 2006 at 1 p.m.
WHERE: Whitman VFW, Essex Street, Whitman, MA, 02382

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